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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: 027 16 100 John Polk Serial No.: 09/003,941 Group Art Unit: 2761 Filed: January 7, 1998 Examiner: E. Cosimano For: METHOD AND APPARATUS Date of Notice of Allowance: FOR PAYMENT PROCESSING August 26, 1999 **USING DEBIT-BASED ELECTRONIC FUNDS** Batch No.: A54 TRANSFER AND DISBURSEMENT PROCESSING RECEIVED **USING ADDENDUM-BASED ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE** SEP 1 6 1999 Publishing Division Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Dear Sir:

## AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 and subject to the recommendation of the Examiner and the approval of the Commissioner, and without withdrawing the case from issue, kindly amend the subject application as follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

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Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1. line 1, after "This is a division of application Serial No. 08/941,187 filed

September 30, 1997," insert -- now U.S. Patent No. 5,946,669,

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